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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 2581

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E.O. 12356: DECL: OADR
TAGS: PREL, CASC, CH
SUBJECT: ATTEMPT TO SEE HARRY WU

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2. POLOFF CURRAN, WHO IS NOW IN WUHAN ON A REPORTING TRIP UNRELATED TO THE PETER H. WU (AKA HARRY WU) CASE, CALLED THE EMBASSY JULY 18 TO RELAY INFORMATION ABOUT HER ATTEMPTS SEE WU IN DETENTION OR DELIVER MATERIAL FOR HIM VIA THE PROVINCIAL PUBLIC SECURITY BUREAU. SHE SOUGHT WITHOUT SUCCESS TO GAIN ACCESS TO WU ON JULY 17 VIA HER PROVINCIAL FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICE HOSTS. ON JULY 18, CURRAN MET WITH THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICE VICE DIRECTOR TO PRESS HER REQUESTS. HE AGREED TO RELAY HER REQUESTS

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TO THE PROVINCIAL PUBLIC SECURITY BUREAU AND THEN, OUT OF
EARSHOT OF POLOFF CURRAN, TALKED TO THE PUBLIC SECURITY
BUREAU ON THE PHONE FOR HALF AN HOUR. HE THEN TOLD MS.
CURRAN THAT HER REQUEST TO SEE MR. WU, OR, FAILING THAT,
DELIVER MATERIAL TO HIM VIA THE PUBLIC SECURITY BUREAU.

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WAS UNDER CONSIDERATION.

3. POLOFF CURRAN IS ENCOURAGED BY HER MEETING WITH THE VICE DIRECTOR OF THE PROVINCIAL FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICE AND SOME OTHER SIGNS THAT HER REQUEST IS, IN FACT, BEING SERIOUSLY CONSIDERED. SHE DOES NOT BELIEVE SHE WILL GET ACCESS TO WU UNTIL TOMORROW, IF, IN FACT, HER REQUEST IS GRANTED. SHE WILL BE IN WUHAN UNTIL MID-DAY ON JULY 19.
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